

conferees on S. Con. Res. 95, original concurrent resolution setting forth the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2005 and including the appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 2006 through 2009. **Page H3055**

Presidential Message: Read a message from the President wherein he notified the Congress of the continuation of the national emergency with respect to Burma—referred to the Committee on International Relations and ordered printed (H. Doc. 108–186). **Page H3052**

Senate Message: Message received from the Senate today appears on page H3023.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Three yea-and-nay votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H3052–53, H3053–54, and H3054. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 12:30 p.m. and adjourned at 10:58 p.m.

Committee Meetings

CHILD CREDIT PRESERVATION AND EXPANSION ACT OF 2004

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, a modified closed rule providing one hour of debate in the House on H.R. 4359, Child Credit Preservation and Expansion Act of 2004, equally divided and controlled by the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Ways and Means. The rule provides for consideration of the amendment in the nature of a substitute printed in the Rules Committee report accompanying the resolution, if offered by Representative Rangel of New York or his designee, which shall be considered as read, and shall be separately debatable for one hour equally divided and controlled by the proponent and an opponent. The rule waives all point of order against the amendment printed in the report. Finally, the rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. Testimony was heard from Representatives Camp and Levin.

OSHA AMENDMENTS AND PAPERWORK AND REGULATORY IMPROVEMENTS ACT OF 2003

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, a closed rule providing for consideration of H.R. 2728, Occupational Safety and Health Small Business Day in Court Act of 2004, with one hour of debate in the House on H.R. 2728 equally divided and controlled by the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Education and the Workforce. The rule provides that the amendment recommended

by the Committee on Education and the Workforce now printed in the bill shall be considered as adopted. The rule provides one motion to recommit H.R. 2728 with or without instructions.

Section 2 of the resolution provides for considerations of H.R. 2729, Occupational Safety and Health Review Commission Efficiency Act of 2004, under a closed rule. The rule provides one hour of debate in the House on H.R. 2729 equally divided and controlled by the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Education and the Workforce. The rule provides that the amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Committee on Education and the Workforce now printed in the bill, modified by the amendment printed in part A of the Rules Committee report accompanying the resolution, shall be considered as adopted. The rule provides one motion to recommit H.R. 2729 with or without instructions.

Section 3 of the resolution provides for consideration of H.R. 2730, Occupational Safety and Health Independent Review of OSHA Citations Act of 2004, under a closed rule. The rule provides one hour of debate in the House on H.R. 2730 equally divided and controlled by the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Education and the Workforce. The rule provides that the amendment recommended by the Committee on Education and the Workforce, now printed in the bill, modified by the amendment printed in part B of the Rules Committee report accompanying the resolution, shall be considered as adopted. The rule provides one motion to recommit H.R. 2730 with or without instructions.

Section 4 of the resolution provides for consideration of H.R. 2731, Occupational Safety and Health Small Employer Access to Justice Act of 2004, under a closed rule. The rule provides one hour of debate in the House on H.R. 2731 equally divided and controlled by the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Education and the Workforce. The rule provides that the amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Committee on Education and the Workforce now printed in the bill, modified by the amendment printed in part C of the Rules Committee report accompanying the resolution, shall be considered as adopted. The rule provides one motion to recommit H.R. 2731 with or without instructions.

Section 5 of the resolution provides for consideration of H.R. 2432, Paperwork and Regulatory Improvements Act of 2003, under a structured rule providing one hour of general debate in the Committee of the Whole equally divided and controlled by the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Government Reform. The rule

waives points of order against consideration of the bill for failure to comply with clause 4(a) of Rule XIII (regarding the three-day availability of committee reports). The rule provides that the amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Committee on Government Reform now printed in the bill shall be considered as an original bill for the purpose of amendment, and shall be considered as read.

The rule makes in order only those amendments to the Committee amendment in the nature of a substitute which are printed in part D of the Rules Committee report accompanying the resolution. The rule provides that the amendments made in order may be offered only in the order printed in the report, may be offered only by a Member designated in the report, shall be considered as read, shall be debatable for the time specified in the report equally divided and controlled by the proponent and an opponent, shall not be subject to amendment, and shall not be subject to a demand for division of the question in the House or in the Committee on the Whole. The rule waives all points of order against the amendments printed in the report. The rule provides one motion to recommit H.R. 2432 with or without instructions.

Section 6 of the resolution provides that in the engrossment of H.R. 2728 the Clerk shall add the texts of H.R. 2729, H.R. 2730, H.R. 2731, and H.R. 2432, as passed by the House, as new matter at the end of H.R. 2728, and then lay on the table H.R. 2729, H.R. 2730, H.R. 2731, and H.R. 2432.

Finally, the rule provides that if H.R. 2728 is disposed of without reaching the stage of engrossment, then whichever of H.R. 2729, H.R. 2730, H.R. 2731, or H.R. 2432 that first passes the House shall be treated in the manner specified for H.R. 2728 and all other bills that have passed the House shall be laid on the table. Testimony was heard from Chairman Boehner and Representatives Ose, Kildee, and Tierney.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR TUESDAY, MAY 18, 2004

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Foreign Operations, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2005 for HIV/AIDS programs and research, 10:30 a.m., SD-124.

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: to hold an oversight hearing to examine the Terrorism Risk Insurance Program, 10 a.m., SD-538.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Subcommittee on Aviation, to hold an oversight hearing to

examine the Federal Aviation Administration, 9:30 a.m., SR-253.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: to hold hearings to examine implications of a recent change in reporting of small business contracts by the Department of Energy, 10 a.m., SD-366.

Committee on Foreign Relations: to hold hearings to examine the way ahead in Iraq, 9:30 a.m., SD-106.

Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of William R. Brownfield, of Texas, to be Ambassador to Venezuela, and John D. Rood, of Florida, to be Ambassador to the Bahamas, 2 p.m., SH-216.

Committee on the Judiciary: to hold hearings to examine the threat of animal and eco-terrorism, 10 a.m., SD-226.

Special Committee on Aging: to hold hearings to examine social security reform issues, and comparing the U.S. social security system with other nations', 10 a.m., SD-628.

House

Committee on Energy and Commerce, Subcommittee on Commerce, Trade and Consumer Protection, hearing entitled "Supporting Our Intercollegiate Student-Athletes: Proposed NCAA Reforms," 3:30 p.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing entitled "NIH Ethics Concerns: Consulting Arrangements and Outside Awards," 10 a.m., 2322 Rayburn.

Committee on Financial Services, Subcommittee on Capital Markets, Insurance and Government Sponsored Enterprises, hearing entitled "SEC Proposal on Market Structure: How Will Investors Fare?" 2 p.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing entitled "Improving Financial Oversight: A Private Sector View of Anti-Money Laundering Efforts," 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Committee on Government Reform, Subcommittee on Civil Service and Agency Organization, hearing entitled "First year on the job: Chief Human Capital Officers," 2 p.m., and to consider S. 129, Federal Workforce Flexibility Act of 2003, 3:30 p.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Criminal Justice, Drug Policy and Human Resources, hearing entitled "Ensuring Accuracy and Accountability in Lab Testing: Does the Experience of Maryland General Hospital Expose Cracks in the System?" 10:30 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Energy Policy, Natural Resources and Regulatory Affairs, hearing entitled "How Can We Maximize Private Sector Participation in Transportation?" 10 a.m., 2247 Rayburn.

Committee on International Relations, hearing on Should China Join the Nuclear Suppliers Group? 10:30 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Committee on the Judiciary, Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security, hearing on H.R. 3179, Anti-Terrorism Intelligence Tools Improvement Act of 2003, 10 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Immigration, Border Security, and Claims, oversight hearing entitled "Pushing the Border Out on Alien Smuggling: New Tools and Intelligence Initiatives," 2 p.m., 2141 Rayburn.